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1. DEPARTMENT WELCOMED SUGGESTION REFTTEL AND CONSULTED COMMISSIONER FRIEDKIN, WHO WILL BE ATTENDING CONFERENCE ALONG WITH MEXICAN COMMISSIONER. SINCE, HOWEVER, FRIEDKIN PLANS TO ATTEMPT TO MEET WITH ROVIROSA WADE DURING CONFERENCE FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING MEXICALI PROBLEM, DEPARTMENT WOULD NOT WANT TO ASK OTHER U.S. OFFICIAL ATTENDEES TO TAKE UP MATTER WITH WHICH THEY ARE NOT FAMILIAR AND WHICH IS UNRELATED TO CONFERENCE SUBJECT.

2. WE WILL INFORM COMMISSIONER OF RECLAMATION STAM OF GENERAL NATURE OF PROBLEM, AND SUGGEST THAT HE TAKE ANY FAVORABLE OPPORTUNITY TO MENTION TO MEXICAN OFFICIALS HOW WIDESPREAD AND INTENSE INTEREST AND CONCERN ABOUT IT ARE IN THE SOUTHWEST.

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3. CONGRESSIONAL ATTENDEES AT INTERPARLIAMENTARY CONFER-

ENCE WILL ALSO BE BRIEFED. WE UNDERSTAND CALIFORNIA STATE
OFFICIALS WILL URGE ANY OF CALIFORNIA CONGRESSIONAL
DELEGATION ATTENDING CONFERENCE TO PRESS ON MEXICAN

REPRESENTATIVES IMPORTANCE OF A SOLUTION.

4. WE CONSIDERED RECOMMENDING SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR
MENTION PROBLEM IF ROVIROSA WADE MEETS WITH HIM IN
WASHINGTON FEB. 11, AS LATTER IS UNDERSTOOD TO HAVE IN
MIND, BUT CONCLUDED IT WOULD NOT BE APPROPRIATE IN
CIRCUMSTANCES AND CHORUS OF VOICES ALL SAYING SAME THING
MIGHT BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE. KISSINGER

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